

Governance Committee

January 9, 2012 431 Cannon Building

Chair: Gary Edwards

Present: Teresa Garrett, Marc Babitz, David Patton, Gary Edwards, Lewis Garrett, Dave Cunningham, Lloyd Berentzen, Bob Rolfs, Nan Streeter, Gary House, Kathy Froerer, Deb Turner

1. Minutes

- a. Motion to approve Minutes from 12/ 19/2011: Teresa Garrett
- b. 2nd: Dave Cunningham
- c. Vote Yes: Teresa Garrett, Marc Babitz, David Patton, Gary Edwards, Lewis Garrett, Dave Cunningham
- d. Table 12/5 minutes discussion for later in the meeting

2. Exempt Grants

- a. Exempt grants do not need to be placed on the Governance agenda unless there is significant change to the funding and/or grant
 - i. Exempt grants still need to be posted to the Governance website
- b. Governance had no issue with the "Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS)" grant remaining exempt
 - i. The only change to this grant is decrease in funding
- c. Governance had no issue with the "Reducing Loss to Follow-up After Failing Newborn Hearing Screening" grant remaining exempt
 - i. This grant is contracted out to specific agency that is doing the monitoring
 - ii. No significant changes to this grant

3. MCH Grant

- a. Workgroup meetings:
 - i. Last meeting was held in December
 - ii. Have reviewed the grant guidance section by section
 - iii. Have also reviewed the following information:
 1. MCH grant guidance and requirements
 2. MCH grant application and annual report
 3. MCH/CSHCN/VIPP staff and responsibilities
 4. MCH grant budget for the state, LHDs and other entities
 5. LHD contracts for MCH/P-5 Home Visiting and VIPP
 6. Local health department reports of numbers served, services provided and financial allocation to different MCH services
 7. Services provided by UDOH programs that "serve" LHDs or their constituents
- b. Federal grant requirements
 - i. Consensus of the workgroup was that UDOH is following the grant guidance and its requirements.
 1. Was the consensus unanimous? Yes, I believe so

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- c. LHD Contract Review
 - i. Consensus of the workgroup was the P-5 Home Visiting and VIPP reporting was well defined and not onerous
 - ii. Question: Do locals include all services provided to mothers and children or only those provided directly through MCH block grant funding?
 - iii. Title V reporting will be discussed at the next workgroup meeting
- d. Budget:
 - i. Decided to hold off on a funding formula discussion until there is either an increase or decrease in funds
- e. State Services that Impact LHDs and their constituents
 - i. Workgroup came up with 21 pages of services
- f. Local input to the block grant application:
 - i. Nan Streeter volunteered the MCH program as a pilot project for the Collaboration workgroup
- g. Next few months:
 - i. The workgroup will be reviewing state and local activities to determine if there is a duplication of efforts.
- h. Recommendations:
 - i. The MCH workgroup does not have any concerns about the grant and the distribution of funding with the following suggestions:
 1. Current funding allocation unless there are cuts/increases
 2. UDOH and LHDs need to collaborate more directly in the development of future grants
 3. UDOH can provide LHDs with local data, help assess effectiveness of what they can do to improve the health of mothers and children and provide technical assistance as needed
 4. State and local staff increased collaboration and understanding of roles in address requirements of Title V block grant
- i. Grant requirements:
 - i. 30% of the grant has to go to fund children with special health care needs.
 1. Are local health departments interested in doing this?
 - ii. 30% to fund Child health
 - iii. Less than 10% for Admin
- j. Gary House: summary**
 - i. MCH is following the guidance
 - ii. LHDs have some leeway for use of the funds
 - iii. Satisfied with the grant and its administration
 - iv. Gary did bring up the possibility of using MCH funds for domestic violence activities. This is a valid activity for any LHD interested.

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- k. Lewis: What I am hearing is that the group met and they don't think there are any problems. They agree the money is allocated properly and the activities make sense.
 - i. Dr. Patton had to leave during this discussion. Bob Rolfs will be voting for him.
- l. What are the distinct issues:
 - i. Are we asking the right questions
 - ii. Are we using the right people
- m. **Motion:** Teresa Garrett Accept the report as written and add the recommendation about the grant review committee looking at the specific use of funding to the benefit of the public health system. Thank the co-chairs for the time and energy they have put into this. -
- n. **2nd:** Marc Babitz
- o. **Vote Yes:** Teresa Garrett, Marc Babitz, Bob Rolfs, Gary Edwards, Lewis Garrett, Dave Cunningham
 - i. *Teresa's Recommendation to Nan's document:*
 - 1. *Add to the 2nd bullet recommendation: Are we using this funding to the benefit of the public health system?*

4. Minutes

- a. Motion to accept 12/5 minutes with the changes listed below: Marc Babitz
- b. **2nd:** Lewis Garrett
- c. **Vote Yes:** Teresa Garrett, Marc Babitz, Bob Rolfs, Gary Edwards, Lewis Garrett, Abstain: Dave Cunningham
 - i. Clarify 3rd bullet on Page 2 under immunizations: Ralph Clegg was not satisfied with the initial report but there was additional work and a 2nd report was prepared which was accepted by Governance
 - ii. Page 3, 5a(ii) – Change: If your grant is approved, it is for the budget year or project period? Budget year

Motion to adjourn:
Marc Babitz